

# Alaska Monthly Fire Potential Outlook



- **Forecast:**

- Alaska is out of fire season. Alaska usually transitions into fire season in April. Due to the ample snow pack and forecast cooler temperatures in the south this transition may be a little later than average. Otherwise expect normal conditions for Alaska for March through June.

- **Factors:**

- February was much more mild in Alaska than January with ample snowpack.
- The long range forecast indicates colder than normal conditions will continue across the southern half of the state into the spring. Simultaneously, drier than normal conditions are expected along the Gulf of Alaska coast.
- La Nina is expected to weaken this spring, with near neutral conditions by late spring or early summer. Past seasons with near neutral ENSO indices have had both a high number and low number of acres burned..